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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 4, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as shown in the accompanying pages. By this paper, Applicant amends Claim 1. Claims 1 and 14 remain pending in the application and are presented for reconsideration and allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

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